



MINUTES OF
EUREKA CITY COUNCIL

March 2, 2021

The City Council of the City of Eureka met in REGULAR Session on the above date, 5:00 P.M. Closed Session, 6:00 P.M. Open Session, at the Eureka City Hall, Council Chambers, 531 "K" Street, Eureka.

Public Comment: None

CLOSED SESSION - 5:00 P.M.

Conference with labor negotiators

Agency designated representatives: Will Folger for City of Eureka

Employee organization: Eureka City Employees Association (ECEA), Eureka
Police Officers Association (EPOA) & Unrepresented Group

Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation

Significant exposure to litigation

REGULAR SESSION – 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Susan Seaman
Leslie Castellano
Natalie Arroyo
Kim Bergel
Scott Bauer
Kati Moulton

ABSENT: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION: No reportable actions

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Bergel presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Kym Kemp of Redheaded Blackbelt for COVID-19 Information in Spanish.

Councilmember Moulton presented the proclamation for International Women's Day.

Mayor Seaman presented a proclamation for Champions for Children 2021.

PRESENTATIONS

Betty's Annex Update - Housing Coordinator Kristen Raymond and Betty Chin provided a update.

BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: None

Scott Bauer moved, seconded by Kati Moulton, to approve the CONSENT CALENDAR, motion Carried

Ayes: Leslie Castellano, Natalie Arroyo, Kim Bergel, Scott Bauer, Kati Moulton

Noes: None

Absent: None

A) PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

B) CONSENT CALENDAR:

B.1 Council Meeting Minutes – Approved the regular Council meeting minutes of February 16, 2021 as submitted.

B.2 Letter of Concern to DTSC re: McNamara and Peepe Site - Authorize the Mayor to sign the letter of concern to the Department of Toxic Substances Control regarding the former McNamara and Peepe Lumber Mill

C) ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS: None

D) REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS

- D.1 Pedestrian Crossing Improvements 2021 – Caltrans Highway Safety Improvement Grant HSIPL 5017(047) – Bid No. 2021-02 - Public Works Director Brian Gerving provided a report. The following individuals addressed the Council regarding this subject matter:

Kate
Zena Bardelas
Debbie Hart

Scott Bauer moved, seconded by Natalie Arroyo, to declare RAO Construction Co, Inc. low bidder for the Pedestrian Crossing Improvements 2021 Project, award Bid No. 2021-02 to RAO Construction Co, Inc. for the amount of \$1,092,197.75; and approve \$1,189,425.00 for construction, which includes a contingency of approximately 9%, motion Carried

Ayes: Leslie Castellano, Natalie Arroyo, Kim Bergel, Scott Bauer, Kati Moulton
Noes: None
Absent: None

- D.2 RCEA Pilot Solar Program - Project Manager Kelli Allen provided a report and Mike Avcollie, RCEA provided information.

Kati Moulton moved, seconded by Scott Bauer, received report; and Provided direction to staff regarding site selection and scoping; and authorize staff to proceed with a loan application for the California Energy Commission's 1% Interest Loan; and authorize the Director of Public Works as agent of the City of Eureka to sign and file all required documentation for the loan for the first 3 sites, motion Carried

Ayes: Leslie Castellano, Natalie Arroyo, Kim Bergel, Scott Bauer, Kati Moulton
Noes: None
Absent: None

E) CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

City Manager Slattery, requested that a special meeting on March 30th AT 5 PM for Strategic Visioning.

Director Wood and Program Coordinator Praszker provided park grant updates.

COUNCIL REPORTS / CITY-RELATED TRAVEL REPORTS:

Castellano participated in meetings including RDEC to which she was appointed board president and Resilience meeting (COVID) Housing focus. Statewide movement about hazard pay for grocery store workers? Is there consensus to bring forward hazard pay for grocery workers? Not at this time.

Councilmember Moulton recently held meeting with the South Alliance Neighborhood Arcata Play house celebrating creative women with the 02f Festival

Councilmember Bauer provided teachers breakfast at Zane on their first day back and recognized the challenges that they face. Eureka kids are back and they are doing a great job. We support the teachers.

Councilmember Bergel announced that the Zoo is waiting for the Certificate of Occupancy for the Sky walk, no exact date, but will be issued soon. The new ticket booth is in place along with 2 new baby flamingos. The spotted skunk has been a popular attraction. She completed the Perilous Plunge and jumped twice due to a special donation. Condolences to the family of Hal Lowry, a great loss to the community. Bowl for Kids' sake is happening and donations can be made on her Facebook page.

Councilmember Arroyo, shared the strategic visioning process and thank you to staff, council and all who participated. Excited to begin 2 x2 meetings with the County. Thank you to KEB for tree planting.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:03 PM

APPROVED:



Susan Seaman
Mayor

Attest:



Pamela J. Powell
City Clerk